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Wildland Fire and Smoke Update

7 new fires were reported to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center Sunday. The Sled Trail Fire and the Bear Paw Fire were lightning caused and are currently staffed. Five State of Alaska fires were reported with four in the Fairbanks Area, the largest of which is the Wood River 1 fire reported at 100 acres. One fire was reported in the Kenai area and it was contained

As of 9 am Monday, the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center had tallied 393 fires and 765,589.9 acres burned this year. At this time last year, 310 fires had burned 69,197.2 acres.

68 fires are active across Alaska. 16 fires are staffed.

Fire Name	Approx. Location	Acres Burned	Fire Personnel
Railbelt Complex			Alaska Type 2 Incident
			Mgt. Team
Minto Flats South	12 mi west of Nenana	143,969 acres	137 personnel
			Boise Hotshots
Lunch Lake	20 mi. NW of Nenana	4,515 acres	116 personnel
			Snake River Hotshots
			Sawtooth Hotshots
			Bonneville Hotshots
			Fairbanks #1 Type 2
			Fairbanks #3 Type 2
			Fairbanks #4 Type 2
			Pilot Station Type 2
June Creek	21 miles NW of Healy	360 acres	72 personnel
			Beaver/Stevens Type 2
			Upper Tanana #1 Type 2
			Upper Tanana #4 Type 2

Fire Name	Approx.Location	Acres Burned	Fire Personnel
Rock Slough	50 mi. NE of Ft. Yukon	14,581	115 personnel
			Gannet Glacier 2IA crew
			Midnight Sun Type 1 crew
			North Star Type 2 crew
			Venetie #1 Type 2 crew
			Ft. Yukon #2 Type 2 crew
Little Black One	18 mi. NE of Circle	99,639.7 acres	5 personnel
Bear Creek	60 mi. W of Healy	32,729 acres	30 personnel
			Chena Type 1 crew
Zitziana	58 mi. W of Anderson	63,896.2 acres	35 personnel
			Pioneer Peak Type 1 crew
Logging Slash	22 mi. NW of Nenana	7118 acres	119 personnel
			Delta #2 Type 2 crew
Chakina	13 mi. S of McCarthy	12,000 acres	15 personnel
Big River	49 mi. SE of McGrath	15,359 acres	6 personnel
Winter Trail	10 mi. W of Aniak	2,310 acres	37 personnel
			Upper Kalskag Type 2
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			Yukon Type 2IA
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Sled Trail	51 mi. W of Healy	.3 acres	2 personnel
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Bear Paw	55 mi. W of Healy	13 acres	20 personnel
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Side Creek	13 mi. N of Rampart	57.5 acres	24 personnel
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Shanta Creek	Off Funny River Road	13,118 acres	476 personnel ordered
	Kenai		NIMO Type 1
			Alaska Interagency #3 T2
			Ambler Type 2
			Arctic Village Type 2 Bitterroot Hotshots
			Difference Hotshots
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			Chevak #1 Type 2
			Chief Mountain Hotshots
			Denali Type 2IA
			Helena Hotshots
			Hooper Bay #1 Type 2
			Hooper bay #3 Type 2
			Idaho Panhandle Hotshots
			Kiana #1 Type 2
			Lewis & Clark Hotshots
			Nikolai Type 2
			Scammon Bay Type 2
			Shageluk Type 2

For updated information about the Minto Flats South Fire, call the Fire Information Office in Nenana at 907-832-1097 or 1838. Additional information about the fire is being posted at: www.inciweb.org.

For updated information about the Shanta Creek fire, call the Kenai Wildlife Refuge at 907-260-2338 or 2342. Additional information is posted at www.inciweb.org and http://kenai.fws.gov

Warmer weather and lower humidities are expected to cover much of Interior Alaska through next week. Fire activity and persistent smoke is expected to remain over many areas of Alaska until the weather pattern changes. To learn about protecting yourself from smoke, visit: http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm For daily fire information, please visit:

http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf and for a map of fire locations, click on "Fire Information" at http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php

Additional References

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/
 - o Map of Current Fires: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php
 - o Situation Report: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf
 - National Fire Situation: http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf
 - Guide to Wildland Fire Suppression in AK: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/news/psa/Media%20Guide%20to%20AK%20Wildla nd%20Fire%20Suppression.pdf
- Alaska Wildland Fire Coordinating Group- Education and Reference Materials: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/administration/awfcg.php
- Creating Defensible Space: http://firewise.org/ and http://forestry.alaska.gov/pdfs/06Firewise.pdf
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, http://511.alaska.gov/
 Alaska Division of Forestry (Burn Permit Info): http://forestry.alaska.gov/burn/
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm

- National Parks Service: http://www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm
- National Weather Service: http://www.nws.noaa.gov/
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: http://www.fws.gov/fire/
- USDA Forest Service: http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/
- Anchorage Fire Department: www.muni.org/fire
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc/
- Federal Aviation Administration: http://www.faa.gov/

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